

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 23-26 and 28-32 are pending and rejected. Claims 1-22 and 27 were previously cancelled.

Claims 23-26 and 28-31 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Hollowell, U.S. Patent No. 6,071,056 in view of Kunii et al., (hereinafter “Kunii ‘839”), U.S. App. No. 2001/0023839 or Kunii et al., (hereinafter “Kunii ‘476”), U.S. Patent No. 7,059,476. Claims 23-26 and 28-31 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over either Kunii reference in view of Hollowell. Claim 32 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Hollowell in view of Kunii, or vice-versa, and further in view of Wanesky (U.S. Patent No. 3,263,841), previously cited.

Applicants submit the cited references fail to teach or suggest at least a method, comprising placing a component of a hard disk drive in a packing containment unit of a packing tray, inverting an exchange tray with an exchange containment unit with respect to the packing tray and matching the packing containment unit... wherein ... at least one of the packing tray and the exchange tray comprise at least one ventilation slot (*e.g.*, as described in claim 23).

The Office Action alleges the cutout portions on the side of each tray shown in Figures 1, 2, 4, and 7 of Hollowell are considered to be ventilation slots. *See* Office Action dated 5/2/2008, paragraph 2, without offering any further clarification regarding which “cutout portions” the Office Action is referring to. Applicants submit without further clarification and specificity regarding which element of the cited four Figures the Office Action is referring to, the current rejection is lacking, and Applicants are unable to respond. Applicants request clarification in the next communication.

The Office Action further alleges that the cut-out portions 4f of the Kunii references are ventilation slots as described in claimed embodiments of the present application. *See* Office Action dated 5/2/2008, paragraph 2. Applicants disagree. For example, the Kunii references describe element 4f (a cut-out portion) of Fig. 12. However, the cutout portion 4f is not located along the surface of the alleged packing tray embodiment in Figure 12 so as to allow “ventilation”. Therefore, it cannot be the same as a “ventilation slot” as described in claimed embodiments of the present application (*e.g.*, as described in claim 23). Indeed, looking at Figure 10 (also including the cited cut-out portion) of, for example, Kunii ‘839, it is clear that the cited cut-out portion is of no use in providing ventilation to the pocket 4b. Moreover, the cut-out portion is not a slot as readily understood in the art. Therefore, the Kunii references are inadequate to support a proper rejection of claim 23.

Finally, the Office Action refers to Pakeriasamy in asserting that the reference “would likely” be used in an obviousness rejection, but does not forward a proper rejection based on Pakeriasamy in the current Office Action. *See* Office Action dated 5/2/08, paragraph 5. If the Office Action is to rely on the teachings of Pakeriasamy, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner issue a new Office Action including a rejection that properly references the Pakeriasamy reference.

Therefore, since the cited references fail to teach or suggest at least these limitations, the current rejection of claim 23 is lacking and should be withdrawn. Independent claim 23 should be allowed, and claims 24-26 and 28-32 depend from allowable independent claim 23, and therefore are allowable as well.

It is believed that this Amendment places the application in condition for allowance, and

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early favorable consideration of this Amendment is earnestly solicited.

If, in the opinion of the Examiner, an interview would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

The Office is hereby authorized to charge any fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. **11-0600**.

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